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Career Day

Episode #320

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Careers: **Wildlife on Wheels - Lanie Angeles**
Ocean Advocate - Jeff Pantukhoff
Wildlife Learning Center – David Riherd
Animal Rights Activist - Tippi Hedren

General Synopsis for Episode #320

In this episode *Wildlife Careers*, viewers are exposed to four ‘wildlife experts’ whose main purpose is to save and protect animals. Lanie Angeles runs a non-profit wildlife rescue that cares for 65 creatures. Her **Wildlife on Wheels** program take her ‘animal ambassadors’ on the road to educate kids about the individual animals and give them the opportunity to interact with them. She chose this career to make a difference by influencing kids to help the planet and animals. **Ocean Advocate**, Jeff Pantukhoff founder of the Whaleman Foundation is living his dream of saving whales and dolphins. Using the skills of his first career telecommunications, he has made documentaries to save these marine animals. He shares, “If you have a passion and the emotions and the dreams, never ever give up on your dreams”. Owner David Riherd of the **Wildlife Learning Center** uses the wild animals as visual aides to educate visitors about wildlife biology and taking care of the environment and natural resources. His most rewarding part of his job is providing a safe refuge for animals. David suggests students who are interested in working with animals are to go to college to study biology or zoology and volunteer to get experience caring for animals. **Animal Rights Activist** Tippi Hedren has made it her career to fight for the rights of exotic cats while protecting and giving them sanctuary at the Shambala Preserve. The preserve takes in wild cats that have been abandon, abused, illegally purchased or smuggled into the United States. She states that her job is 24 – 7 and she must raise funds for the preserve by writing for grants and talking with people all year long.

Observation and Conclusion

After viewing episode #320, young viewers meet passionate animal activists who share their story and have made a career of saving and protecting animals. Each segment of Career Day delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up. Attributes and advice emphasized by guests instill a grounded balance of priorities, dedication, and perseverance children can apply to their lives.

Sincerely,



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